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Group Art Unit	1631	Examiner Name	Negin, Russell Scott
Confirmation No.	4547	Attorney Docket No.	922_002
Inventor(s)	Cornelius G. Hunter		
Invention:	PROTEIN SEQUENCE SIGNALS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS		

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Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

EXTENSION OF TERM

- ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- ☒ This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

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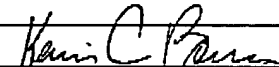
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- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

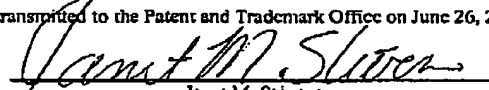
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- ☐ No additional fee is required. ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$120.00. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- ☒ Please charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1446.

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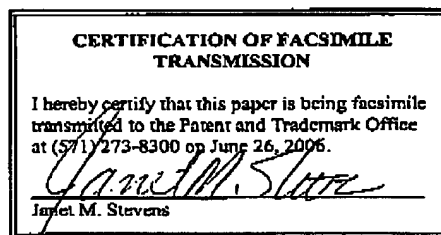
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 25, 2006, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, to prosecute the claims of Group III (claims 49 and 53) in this application.

However, applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement since the subject matter of claims 1 - 53 is sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for the subject matter of the elected claims would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for the subject matter of the non-elected claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is clearly stated that "[i]f the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the

merits." It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to applicants and improper duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call Applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

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